The product of Example 3(i) was dissolved in 10 ml TFA and treated as in Example 1(iv) to provide 0.32 g of crystalline product.

¹H NMR δ 1.95 + 2.05 (2m, 2H, CH_2CH), 2.35 (t, 2H, CH_2CO_2 , J = 7.5Hz), 3.55 (t, 4H, CH_2N , J = 5.5Hz), 3.61 (t, 4H, CH_2Br , J = 5.5Hz), 4.4 (1H, m, CH), 7.60 (d, 2H, H2+6, J = 10Hz), 8.62 (d, 1H, NH, J = 7.5Hz); ¹⁹F NMR δ -117.32 (d, 2F, F3+5, J = 10Hz); MS m/z 539 (M+Na⁺, 24), 517 (M+H⁺, 59), 423 (M-CH₂Br, 33), 370 (M-glu, 100). Anal. ($C_{16}H_{18}N_2O_5F_3Cl_2.0.32$ toluene) C, H, N.

Example 4

15 (i) di-tert-butyl (2,3,4,5-tetrafluorobenzoyl)-L-glutamate

$$F \longrightarrow F \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow O - C(CH_3)_3$$

$$F \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow O - C(CH_3)_3$$

To an ice-cold solution of di-tert-butyl L-glutamate hydrochloride (6.6 g, 22.4 mmol) and Et₃N (6.9 ml, 50 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (70 ml) was added, over a period of 1.5 hr,

20 2,3,4,5-tetrafluorobenzoyl chloride (5.0 g, 23.5 mmol) in dry

21. A compound of Formula II:

$$R^{1a}$$
 R^{1a}
 R^{2a}
 R^{2b}
 R^{4}
 R^{5}
 R^{5}
 R^{5}
 R^{5}
 R^{5}
 R^{1a}
 R^{1a}

wherein:

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$$R^1$$
 is -Cl, -Br, -I, -OSO₂CH₃, or -OSO₂Ph;
 R^2 is -Cl, -Br, -I, -OSO₂CH₃, or -OSO₂Ph;

wherein Ph denotes a phenyl group which is optionally substituted with 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 substituents independently selected from a C1-4 alkyl group, -F, -C1, -Br, -I, -CN, or $-NO_2$;

 R^{1a} is -H, a C_{1-4} alkyl group, or a C_{1-4} haloalkyl group; 10 R^{2a} is -H, a C₁₋₄alkyl group, or a C₁₋₄haloalkyl group; R1b is -H, a C1-4alkyl group, or a C1-4haloalkyl group; R^{2b} is -H, a C_{1-4} alkyl group, or a C_{1-4} haloalkyl group; R^3 is -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -OCHF₂, -C=CH, -OCF₃, -CH₃, -CF₃, 15 $-SF_5$, $-SCF_3$, or $-CF_2CF_3$;

 R^4 is -H, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -OCHF₂, -C=CH, -OCF₃, -CH₃, $-CF_3$, $-SF_5$, $-SCF_3$, or $-CF_2CF_3$; R⁵ is -H or -F;

with the proviso that if R4 is -H, then R3 is not -F.

- A compound according to claim 21, wherein: 20 22. R^1 and R^2 are independently -I, -Br, or -Cl.
 - A compound according to claim 21, wherein: 23. R^1 and R^2 are both -I.
- A compound according to any one of claims 21 to 23, 24. 25 wherein: R^{1a} , R^{1b} , R^{2a} , R^{2b} are each independently -H or -CH₃.

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- 25. A compound according to any one of claims 21 to 23, wherein: R^{1a} , R^{1b} , R^{2a} , R^{2b} are all -H.
- 26. A compound according to any one of claims 21 to 25, wherein:
 R³ and R⁴ are -CF₃ and -H, respectively.
 - 27. A compound according to any one of claims 21 to 25, wherein: $R^3 \ \text{and} \ R^4 \ \text{are both -F.}$
- 10 28. A compound according to any one of claims 21 to 25, wherein: $R^3 \text{ and } R^4 \text{ are } -CF_3 \text{ and } -H, \text{ respectively; and,} \\ R^5 \text{ is } -H.$
- 29. A compound according to any one of claims 21 to 25, wherein:

 R³ and R⁴ are both -F; and,

 R⁵ is -F.
 - 30. A compound according to any one of claims 21 to 25, wherein:
- 20 R^3 and R^4 are both -F; and, R^5 is -H.
 - 31. 3,5-difluoro-4-[bis(2-iodoethyl)amino]benzoic acid.
 - 32. 3,5-difluoro-4-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]benzoic acid.
 - 33. 3,5-difluoro-4-[bis(2-bromoethyl)amino]benzoic acid.
- 25 34. 2,3,5-trifluoro-4-[bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]benzoic acid.

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- 35. 2,3,5-trifluoro-4-[bis(2-bromoethyl)amino]benzoic acid.
- 36. 2,3,5-trifluoro-4-[bis(2-iodoethyl)amino]benzoic acid.
- 37. 3,5-difluoro-4-[bis(2-bromopropyl)amino]benzoic acid.
- 38. 3-trifluoromethyl-4-[bis(2-bromoethyl)amino]benzoic acid.
 - 39. A two-component system comprising:
 - (i) a first component capable of delivering a carboxypeptidase enzyme to the interior or exterior of a target cell or a vector encoding said enzyme to the interior of said cell such that said vector expresses said enzyme in said cell, and
 - (ii) a prodrug of according to any one of claims 1 to 20 capable of being converted by said enzyme into a drug according to any one of claims 21 to 38.
- 15 40. A kit comprising:

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- (a) a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 20; and,
- (b) one of:
- (i) an immunoglobulin/enzyme fusion protein or conjugate in which the immunoglobulin is specific for a cellular antigen and the enzyme is a carboxypeptidase enzyme;
 - (ii) a ligand/enzyme conjugate or fusion protein, the ligand being specific for a cellular antigen and the enzyme is a carboxypeptidase enzyme; (iii) a vector which encodes a carboxypeptidase enzyme which can be expressed in a cell.

- 41. A composition comprising a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 38, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.
- 42. A compound according to any one of claims 1 to 38 for use in a method of treatment of the human or animal body.
 - 43. A compound according to any one of claims 1 to 38 for use in a method of treatment of cancer of the human or animal body.
- 10 44. Use of a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 38 for the manufacture of a medicament for use in the treatment of cancer.
- 45. A method for the treatment of cancer comprising administering to a subject suffering from cancer a therapeutically-effective amount of a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 38.

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2. Citations and explanations see separate sheet

VII. Certain defects in the international application

The following defects in the form or contents of the international application have been noted: see separate sheet

VIII. Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made: see separate sheet

SECTION V:

- 1. The subject-matter of the application meets the requirements of Article 33(2) PCT since the prior art documents WO 94 25429 A (D1) and WO 97 03957 A (D2) do not describe the present nitrogen mustard compounds and prodrugs thereof of general Formulas I and II, respectively.
- 2. Document WO 94 / 25429 (D1) describes 2-fluoro- and 3-fluoro-substituted nitrogen mustard compounds wherein the substituent R_3 is F and the groups Y and L (present R^1 and R^2) are preferably both chloro groups, both mesyloxy or chloro and mesyloxy. Compounds of D1 have been disclaimed by means of a proviso. Because of the structural similarity between the compounds claimed and the compounds of the prior art D1, and because the compounds of D1 are also described as prodrugs for use "in a method of treatment of the human or animal body by therapy, particularly a method of treatment of cancer", an objection of lack of inventive step under Article 33(3) PCT is raised with regard to the present application.

The same objection is raised at the light of document WO 97 / 03957. This document describes site specific nitrogen mustards of general formula (III). These compounds "are known compounds and may be prepared through reactions well described in the organic chemistry". Accordingly, the inventive step under Art. 33(3) PCT for the present nitrogen mustard compounds claimed is not evident also because all the related prior art documents mention the compounds in connection with the use in the therapy and the treatment of cancer.

3. For the assessment of the present claim 47 on the question whether they are industrially applicable, no unified criteria exist in the PCT. The patentability can also be dependent upon the formulation of the claims. The EPO, for example, does not recognize as industrially applicable the subject-matter of claims to the use of a compound in medical treatment, but may allow, however, claims to a known compound for first use in medical treatment and the use of such a compound for the manufacture of a medicament for a new medical treatment.

SECTION VII:

1. Claims 13 to 20 and 22, 23, 33 to 40 contain all the features of claims 1 and 21,

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respectively, and therefore have to be formulated as claims dependent on claims 1 and 21 (Rule 6.4 PCT).

2. To meet the requirements of Rule 5.1(a)(ii) PCT, the documents D1 and D2 should be identified in the description and the relevant background art disclosed therein should be discussed in its entirety.

SECTION VIII:

1. Inconsistency is noted between the subject-matter of claim 1 and claim 21. The definitions are not consistent so that a clear connection between the compounds of general formula II and the prodrug thereof (see Formula I) is not evident [see for example claim 41].



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